Strategic Support Analyst

Job Code: 31795 Pav Grade: 14

Salary Range: \$31,474 - \$55,072

Job Description, Responsibilities, Standards, and Qualifications

Job Description:

Under close supervision, serves as an entry level analyst in State Purchasing's Knowledge Center. Provides professional level support services to include basic research and analysis for a variety of procurement category activities. Gains knowledge and skills to support spend data analysis development and knowledge management.

Job Responsibilities & Performance Standards:

1. Develops strategic sourcing knowledge and skills by supporting category teams.

- 1. Develops a knowledge and understanding of a variety of sourcing strategies and their applicability.
- 2. Applies the appropriate tools to perform assigned strategic sourcing responsibilities.
- 3. Develops a good knowledge of how to select and use various data collection and analysis tools including competitive benchmarking, total cost analysis, and value chain identification.
- 4. Collects market intelligence data using appropriate standard practices and tools.
- 5. Completes data collection and analysis in an accurate and timely manner.

2. Assists in developing solicitation documents such as Request for Quotes (RFQs) and Request for Proposals (RFPs).

- 1. Participates in the steps involved in the solicitation process.
- 2. Develops and applies an understanding of standard solicitation development tools and techniques.
- 3. Assists in developing solicitation documents in accordance with standard formats and procedures.

3. Participates in the vendor response evaluation process.

- 1. Understands the variety and applicability of evaluation documents.
- 2. Develops financial and technical evaluation documents under close supervision.
- 3. Conducts an accurate analysis of vendor responses.

4. Utilizes tools to track and document savings.

- 1. Tracks appropriate spend data in an accurate and timely manner.
- 2. Documents spend and savings information in a clear and concise manner in accordance with established formats.

5. Supports spend analysis by collecting data and generating generic reports.

- 1. Identifies appropriate sources of data for spend analysis such as PeopleSoft, general ledgers, etc.
- 2. Collects financial data from appropriate sources.
- 3. Cleanses data for spend analysis by looking for duplications in data, determining consistency in terminology, and identifying any other relevant factors.
- 4. Generates simple spend analysis reports as requested by category teams.

6. Supports on-going knowledge management activities.

- 1. Understands the fundamentals of developing and capturing best practices and lessons learned for knowledge management.
- 2. Documents best practices and lessons learned in a clear and concise manner, in accordance with established formats.
- 3. Applies and adopts best practices and lessons learned.

7. Assists with procurement application projects as needed.

- 1. Adopts new procurement application software, programs, and methodologies.
- 2. Participates in pilot projects and provides input as requested.

8. Develops and maintains professional knowledge of the procurement field.

- 1. Develops an understanding of and learns to apply the Georgia Procurement Manual (GPM) and related rules and regulations.
- 2. Develops an awareness and understanding of legal implications and possible complications.
- 3. Seeks guidance and asks appropriate questions to develop expertise in procurement related activities.
- 4. Attends appropriate training related to the procurement field.

Competencies:

1. Learning (level 3)

Actively acquires new knowledge and skills

- Acquires and implements new knowledge successfully.
- Uses learning strategies to increase knowledge base. (i.e., observation, shadowing, reading, research, etc.)
- Stays current on job related information.

2. Collects and Organizes Information (level 3)

Uses formal or systematic procedures to collect and maintain information.

- Collects information from multiple sources.
- Identifies needs for information and collects from multiple sources within the organization.
- Organizes information in clear and easy to access system.
- Continually updates outdated information.

3. Reasoning (level 3)

Breaks down complex information

- Solves problems by sorting and classifying items into their component parts.
- Understands relationships among numerous pieces of information
- Thinks through problems and imagines consequences and outcomes before developing a solution or taking action
- Recognizes sequences of causal events.

4. Oral Communication (level 4)

- Speaks in a compelling manner.
 - Anticipates and prepares for others' responses.
 - Adjusts words to achieve various effects
 - Holds others' attention in group and one-on-one situations

5. Reading and Reading Comprehension (level 4)

- Applies advanced written material for practical business purposes.
 - Readily infers and applies complex written material for practical business purposes.
 - Reads and interprets technical, professional and/or legal publications.

6. Customer Service / Client Orientation (level 4)

- Goes beyond customer expectations.
 - Persistent in satisfying/recovering dissatisfied customers.
 - Calms and satisfies irate customers.
 - Takes proactive steps to meet customer needs

7. Teamwork (level 3)

- Works cooperatively with others.
 - Actively provides information and suggestions.
 - Accepts and completes team assignments.
 - Follows through on commitments to team members.

Minimum Qualifications:

A four-year degree from an accredited college or university.

OR

Four years of data or statistical analysis and/or research experience.

Preferred Qualifications:

- A four-year degree in business administration or finance from an accredited college or university.

 Prior procurement experience

 Experience using PeopleSoft Financials